



Terrace Brier Soccer Club
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April 15, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace:

On behalf of the Terrace Brier Soccer Club (TBSC) and as President, I am writing to express our support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

TBSC serves the communities of Mountlake Terrace, Brier, Lynnwood, and Edmonds with modified soccer for ages 5-9, and youth soccer for ages 10-18. The objective of the club is to provide supervised recreational soccer to develop physical fitness, mental alertness, honesty, loyalty, courage, reverence, leadership, good sportsmanship, and encouragement of courtesy, gentlemanly conduct, and respect for authority by players, officials and spectators. We provide both a full fall season that averages 625 players on about 50 teams as well as a shortened spring season that averages 180 players on about 13 teams.

It is our understanding that the City Mountlake Terrace is applying for grant funding for redevelopment of Evergreen Playfield #1, an existing dirt soccer field constructed originally in 1978. The City recently engaged local youth and adult sports organizations to receive feedback on the project, and how they would utilize the proposed artificial turf field.

The funding request would include preparing and installing artificial turf at the existing location and high efficiency LED lighting. In addition, the City would improve the park area surrounding the field with new fencing and landscaping. This project would provide a year-round playing surface for the community. Currently the only surface like this in the city is at Mountlake Terrace High School where allotted time is difficult to obtain due to the popularity of the field.

Our club is a strong supporter of health and fitness through the play of soccer for our neighborhood youth, including the Mountlake Terrace, Brier and surrounding communities. To better serve our communities in this capacity, our organization fully supports the upgrading of Evergreen Playfield #1. The upgrade would provide a much-needed synthetic turf surface that could be used year-round in an area that lacks the ability to support clubs and teams in that capacity. The current grass fields within the area are closed in late fall through the winter when weather conditions force the issue. In addition, having a lighted field would add an even greater benefit when daylight hours

shrink through the fall, winter and early spring months. The only option is the high school field previously mentioned.

As additional support our club would like to donate \$50,000 towards this effort. We hope that this along with other donations and grants will help the City of Mountlake Terrace reach their goal of preparing and installing artificial turf.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

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Carl Middleton
Terrace Brier Soccer Club
President



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Greg Schwab
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Serving the communities and students of Brier, Edmonds, Lynnwood, Mountlake Terrace, Woodway, and portions of Snohomish County

February 27, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace:

On behalf of the Edmonds School District and as Director of Athletics, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

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Currently Mountlake Terrace High School has only one turf field on their campus, and while it is a multi-purpose field, it is also the school's only baseball field. During the spring season this is the only place for the Mountlake Terrace baseball team to practice and play games leaving the Mountlake Terrace boys' soccer team without a place to practice. The boys' soccer team currently travels across our district, every day, to practice at Former Woodway High School. The development of Evergreen Playfield #1 will provide a practice facility for this soccer team within their own community and much closer to their school. The Edmonds School District would also be able to make use of this field in the fall during the high school girls' soccer season.

I have lived in Mountlake Terrace my entire life and grew up playing soccer and softball at Evergreen Playfield when the field first opened. It has far surpassed its usefulness and is in desperate need of upgrading. Transforming this field to a multi-purpose synthetic field will greatly serve the needs of its community members and allow our athletes to participate year round in the inclement weather we often endure in the Pacific Northwest.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

Julie Stroncek
Director of Athletics, Edmonds School District

Greater Seattle Surf Soccer Club
11824 North Creek Parkway N Suite 101
Bothell, WA 98011



Thursday, March 8, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of the Greater Seattle Surf Soccer Club, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

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As a non-profit organization that is home to more than 800 competitive soccer players in the Edmonds School District and Northshore School District, Greater Seattle Surf is fully committed to the idea that sport has a significant role in the development of young people into healthy, positive and productive members of their community. In fact, that idea is central to our mission of supporting our player's fullest personal development through sport.

To succeed in that mission our organization requires public partners like the City of Mountlake Terrace that share our values, support us by making available well-kept fields and other facilities, and partner with us in pursuit of new facilities and improvements to current facilities. In the past we partnered with the City of Mountlake Terrace in a successful grant request to Snohomish County for new soccer goals at one of our local playfields that are being used by our organization as well as the rest of the community.

Our relationship with the City of Mountlake Terrace is an excellent example of the what can be accomplished when a city is committed to providing public facilities that promote youth sports and supporting the community organizations that utilize them. For this reason, we strongly support the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

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Sean A. Hansen
President, Greater Seattle Surf Soccer Club

Letter of Support

February 14, 2018

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of the Mountlake Terrace Community Foundation to support the Mountlake Terrace Recreation and Parks Department in their grant application to renovate the Evergreen Playfield from dirt to a synthetic turf, and to provide landscaping and lighting upgrades. We strongly support this project. This renovation is urgently needed, and will strengthen our community by filling several gaps in our facilities that exist.

Our organization exists to strengthen and build the Mountlake Terrace community. This proposal will strengthen and build our community in the following ways:

- Provide much-needed facilities for playing of soccer and other sports by several local community sports leagues. While we have land for this sports field, its current state of disrepair severely limits its use, and our youth sports leagues are suffering from a lack of places to play.
- Provide outdoor winter-use sports facilities, which our parks department doesn't have. Winter sports support togetherness and activity during a dark time of year when people are susceptible to Seasonal Affective Disorder. This will fill a significant void in our parks infrastructure.
- Promote public health, the forming of social bonds, and community resilience through providing a much-needed place for formal exercise.
- Reduce erosion, wear, and tear on an important civic facility that is a gateway to our town.

As part of the development of this project, we see the following roles for the Mountlake Terrace Community Foundation in supporting this project:

- Supporting efforts to program and maintain the space, including facilitation of any Adopt-a-Park program that may be established.
- Supporting efforts to further make the space a well-loved community place, including through small grants for placemaking and organization of work parties through our Neighborhood Improvement Program.
- Promoting and strengthening the community by supporting organizations that will use, maintain, and improve these parks facilities.

We strongly support this project, and look forward to the regenerative effect it will have on our community and its bonds.

Sincerely,

The Mountlake Terrace Community Foundation Board

Dustin DeKoekkoek, President

Douglas Hoffman

Rory Paine-Donovan

Adam Bettcher

Lisa Bettcher



March 5, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of the Snohomish County Sports Commission, we support the City of Mountlake Terraces funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf installation. The renovation of the dirt soccer field will accommodate more sports tournaments and increased recreation opportunities for both youth and adults.

It is our understanding that the City Mountlake Terrace is applying for grant funding for redevelopment of Evergreen Playfield #1, an existing dirt soccer field constructed originally in 1978. The City recently engaged local youth and adult sports organizations to receive feedback on the project and how they would utilize the proposed artificial turf field.

The City's request includes preparation and installation of artificial turf at the existing location and high efficiency LED lighting. In addition, the City would improve the park area surrounding the field with new fencing and landscaping. This project would provide a year-round playing surface for the community and for more sports tournaments. Currently the only surface like this in the city is at Mountlake Terrace High School where allotted time is difficult to obtain due to the popularity of the field.

Currently, sports event directors and the community users are limited to season use of the fields which is April to September, based on the weather. Inclement weather creates a challenge for sports event directors to complete their scheduled sports tournament of the inability to play on a dirt infield.

The renovation of the Evergreen Playfield #1 will:

- ✓ Provide needed quality athletic fields in SW Snohomish County.
- ✓ Increase playability of fields with many sports (lacrosse, rugby, soccer, softball and baseball).
- ✓ Provide year-round, off-season use of facility.
- ✓ Increase recreation opportunities and participation by youth and adults.
- ✓ Increase the tournament use to the facility.
- ✓ Increase overnight stays in Mountlake Terrace.
- ✓ Increase revenue to businesses in Mountlake Terrace.
- ✓ Restore regional significance of facility.

The mission of the Snohomish County Sports Commission is to enhance Snohomish County's economy, image as a premier sports destination, and way of life for its residents by attracting diverse regional, national and international athletic events, assisting existing athletic events, supporting development of new athletic events and facilities, and marketing recreational and leisure activities to athletic event organizers and participants. The SCSC will collaborate with county and city governments, local communities, businesses and the tourism industry to achieve this goal.

The renovation plan of Evergreen Playfield #1 meets with our vision for Snohomish County as a sports destination.

We agree with Mountlake Terrace Parks & Recreation in that this renovated, publicly owned park space with synthetic turf multipurpose fields will be enjoyed for generations to come, and support the completion of the park plan as presented.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,



Jim Ballew
Board Chair

Tammy Dunn
Sports Development Director



March 8, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace,

On behalf of the Verdant Health Commission / Public Hospital District No. 2, Snohomish County and as Superintendent, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

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Verdant is a public hospital district located in Lynnwood Washington, established with the mission to improve the health and well-being of our community. One of the primary health challenges in our community is youth and adult obesity—and Verdant's community assessments have repeatedly highlighted the need from year-round opportunities for people to be physically active. The Evergreen Playfield renovation would certainly provide an opportunity for year-round physical activity, and would address these needs.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

Robin Fenn, Ph.D. LICSW
Superintendent
Verdant Health Commission



Recreation and Park Advisory Commission

February 19, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of our seven-member Recreation and Park Advisory Commission and represented by our Chair, Linda Rogers, we are writing to express our support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1.

It is our understanding that the City of Mountlake Terrace is applying for grant funding for redevelopment of Evergreen Playfield #1 which would transform the existing dirt soccer field, constructed in 1978, to a more user-friendly space with synthetic turf. The City recently engaged local youth and adult sports organizations to receive feedback on the project and how they would utilize the proposed synthetic turf field. Feedback received highlights Evergreen Playfield #1 as a center point for our City, where it would be widely used as a community and youth gathering place.

The field is well beyond its lifespan. The requested improvements would give the facility new life and allow it to serve City residents for generations to come. The redeveloped field would enable youth utilization during extended evening hours and throughout each month of the year.

The funding request would include preparing and installing synthetic turf at the existing location and high efficiency LED lighting. Additionally, the City would improve the park area surrounding the field with new fencing and landscaping. This much-needed project would provide a year-round playing surface for our community.

Thank you for your consideration of this important community funding request.

Sincerely,

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Linda Rogers

Chair, City of Mountlake Terrace Recreation and Park Advisory Commission

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February 8, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of the Brighton School and as Russ Noble, Assistant Principal, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf. Brighton School rents your facilities for our athletics teams to practice and compete. We appreciate the great condition that you have always kept your fields in. Towards the end of the season the goals boxes are always mud pits which can adversely affect the outcome of a competitive match. Having turf fields will improve the quality of the playing surface and the competition.

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Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

Regards,
Russ Noble
Assistant Principal



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Northwest Ultimate Association

3/7/2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace:

On behalf of the DiscNW and as a member of the Board of Directors, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

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Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,
Erin Armstrong

Erin Armstrong
Board of Directors

The mission of DiscNW is to serve as a regional resource, promoting growth in the sport of Ultimate and instilling the spirit of sportsmanship at all levels of play.



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3/7/2018

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DiscNW does have some funding available to help create and improve playfields in communities that we serve and would be able to contribute a modest amount to the project. We could also contribute funds to cover the cost of adding Ultimate striping lines to the field and would be keenly interested in having those lines on the field as a resource for local players.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

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Mel Clark
Executive Director, DiscNW

The mission of DiscNW is to serve as a regional resource, promoting growth in the sport of Ultimate and instilling the spirit of sportsmanship at all levels of play.



April 22, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of the Mayhem Fastpitch, FSC and as Vice President, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

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Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

Cassandra Hill
Mayhem Fastpitch, FSC
Vice President



Neighborhood Park Improvement Subcommittee

February 8, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of the Neighborhood Park Improvement Subcommittee and as Chair, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

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For the rest of the community, teams are often scheduled to share a single field at the same time for practices due to lack of sufficient fields. Additionally, those fields are also used heavily for games and do not hold up for a single season of one sport. Youth sport activities have to choose to end practices before the season is over or move to outside communities to continue during the fall and winter months.

By improving Evergreen Playfield #1 it would support and encourage youth sport activities by providing the community with adequate space for current team practices and full-season field time. Additionally, it would attract more interest and participation from our community youth.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

Kathleen M. Tuura

Kathy Tuura
Chair, Mountlake Terrace Neighborhood Park Improvement Subcommittee

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3/9/2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of the Rage Baseball and as Jeremy Shankle/ Coach. I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf with organic infill.

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The funding request would include preparing and installing artificial turf with organic infill at the existing location, high efficiency LED lighting, and replace the existing original restrooms with ADA compliant facilities. In addition the City would improve the park area surrounding the field with new fencing, landscaping, improved parking and walking paths to improve access to the field from the parking lot and surrounding streets. This project would provide a year-round playing surface for the community. Currently the only surface like this in the city is at Mountlake Terrace High School where allotted time is difficult to obtain due to the popularity of the field.

My organization, Rage Baseball, feel that with this improvement to Playfield #1 it will greatly influence and improve the lives of those in our community. This improvement to a turf field would allow our children to play more year round- in our climate would prove to be very valuable. In effort for building our community, offering a place to exercise and be outside would have tremendous impact.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Shankle
Rage Baseball
Coach



4/29/2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace:

On behalf of the Redhawks Fastpitch organization and as Manager, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf with organic infill.

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My organization has a difficult time reserving fields in and around Mountlake Terrace because we are a smaller group and there are just not enough fields to meet the demand. Having an additional field, especially with the option for lights, would be great for youth sports programs such as ours.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,
Jeff Kauffman
Manager, Redhawks Fastpitch
206-245-4400
kauffman_jeff@yahoo.com



To whom it may concern,

Sno-King Youth Club (SKYC) is a youth sports organization that serves over 4,000 kids on annual basis and has served the Mountlake Terrace community for over 40 years. SKYC provides programming for kids between the ages of 3-18.

We are excited for the redevelopment of the Evergreen Playfields to a synthetic turf surface. We envision using the playfields for both practices and games. The Mountlake Terrace community has always been an important place for the development of the children SKYC serves. It is important to SKYC to keeps kids practicing and playing games close to home, and Evergreen Playfields gives the community a park that is centralized. Fields like Evergreen Playfields, can be the hub of the city, a place for residents to come together. The park can be, and should be, a source of pride for the community; a place to take family and friends; a place the shows-off what a great City Mountlake Terrace is.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this important issue.

Adam Quaintance

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Executive Director

Sno-King Youth Club

South Snohomish County Youth Soccer Association

Thursday, March 8, 2018

To the City of Mountlake Terrace

On behalf of the South Snohomish County Youth Soccer Association (SSCYSA) and as SSCYSA President, I am writing to express my support for the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1 from a dirt field to synthetic turf.

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As a non-profit organization representing Washington Youth Soccer in the Edmonds School District, our mission is to foster the physical, mental and emotional growth and development of our youth through the sport of soccer at all levels of age and competition.

To succeed in that mission, our member clubs, Terrace Brier Soccer Club and Greater Seattle Surf Soccer Club, require public partners like the City of Mountlake Terrace that share our values, support us by making available well-kept fields and other facilities, and partner with us in pursuit of new facilities and improvements to current facilities.

For this reason, we strongly support the City of Mountlake Terrace's funding request to improve Evergreen Playfield #1.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

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Sean Hansen

President, South Snohomish County Youth Soccer Association